RHODE ISLAND DEPARTMENT OF LABOR & TRAINING
DIVISION OF PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
MECHANICAL BOARD
1511 PONTIAC AVENUE
Building 70 – 2nd Floor Conference Room
Cranston, RI 02920

TUESDAY, MARCH 7, 2007

In attendance: Stanley Davies, Chairperson

Bobby Jo Harris

Michael Carreiro

John Webster

Michael Januario

Peter Lombardi

Ronald Cronin

Ted Whittaker

Charles Wright

Kenneth Aurrecchia

Quinlin Regan

Chester Stewart

Mr. Stanley Davies, Chairperson called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

There was a Quorum.

First Order of Business:

Charlie Wright addressed the Board to a call he received in regards to oil truck drivers performing work on oil burners. A request was made to the Board as to whether or not a truck driver needs a license to purge lines and restart the burner and if the oil truck drivers aren't qualified to service the oil burner, do they need a license to perform this type of work. Peter Lombardi stated that we have been performing this work for years and they didn't need a license to perform this type of work before. Kenneth Aurrecchia asked if this was one company in question, or all of the oil companies. Charlie Wright stated that it was one company involved. Kenneth Aurrecchia stated that this should be an internal matter that has to be dealt within the oil company itself. Michael Carreiro made a motion to the Board that the Board keeps this issue under advisement. John Webster seconded the motion.

Michael Carreiro made a motion to accept the minutes of the February 7, 2007 minutes. Kenneth Aurrecchia seconded the motion.

There will be four (4) hearings today.

Hearings:

1. Valerie Allen - Violation #3028

Valerie Allen and RIDLT Investigator, Charlie Wright is present today to provide testimony and have been sworn in by the board stenographer.

Ted Whittaker, RIDLG Investigator, read the violation: Location of violation: 15 Hood Avenue, East Providence, (Rumford), RI: On September 22, 2006, Safety 1st Chimney Sweeps did issue a proposal to do a chimney recliner to the above-referenced address. This department's records do not indicate that Safety 1st Chimney Sweeps are properly licensed to do this work in RI. The proposal issued does not have a RI license number issued by this department. This is a violation of RIGL 28-27-6 "Corporations and firms engaged in business "Corporation and firms engaged in business."

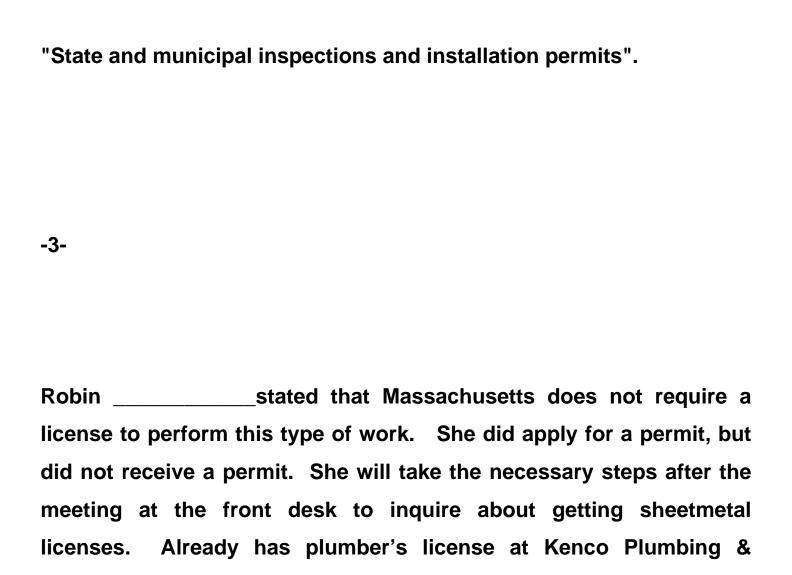
Valerie Allen was unaware that she needed a license to perform this type of work, and she now understands the regulations as she moves forward.

Michael Carreiro made a motion that the Findings of Fact did occur and based on the testimony heard today, that the violation be suspended for one year and that the fine of \$500.00 be suspended for one year and that a recommendation be made to the Director of same. Kenneth Aurrecchia seconded the motion. All the board members were in favor. Valerie Allen will be receiving a letter from the Director.

2. Stephen Tricomi/R.C. Sheet Metal, Inc.

The next hearing is with Stephen Tricomi/R.C. Sheet Metal, Inc. Mr. Tricomi was not present at today's board meeting, but Robin Briar and Richard Blundsden was present to represent R.C. Sheet Metal, Inc. and was sworn in by the board stenographer.

Ted Whittaker read the violation: Location of violation: 396 Roosevelt Avenue, Pawtucket, RI: On November 22, 2006, RIDLT Investigator, Charles Wright, went to the above-referenced address to investigate work being done. Mr. George Gagnon, the owner of the above-referenced location, provided a bid proposal for a sheet metal installation and the work had been started. The proposal had no RI sheet metal master license number displayed. Our records indicate that R.C. Sheet Metal, Inc. is not licensed in RI. This is a violation of RIGL 28-27-5 "Practices for which a master or contractor license is required." Further, a mechanical permit was issued without the proper license number displayed. This is a violation of RIGL 28-27-20



Kenneth Aurrecchia made a motion that a Finding of Fact did occur and to suspend the violation for one year. Based on the testimony heard today that a recommendation be made to the Director to suspend the violation for one year, and Michael Januario seconded the motion. John Webster made a motion to suspend the fine in the amount of \$1000.00 (2 violations of \$500.00 each) and Chester Stewart seconded the motion. All other board members were in favor.

Heating.

3. Lexco Manufacturing & Welding/Mr. Tom Geving – Violation #2823

The next hearing is in regard to Mr. Tom Geving of Lexco Manufacturing & Welding. Mr. Geving was sworn in by the board stenographer.

Ted Whittaker read the violation: Location of violation: General Cable, 3 Carol Drive, Lincoln, RI: On July 5, 2006, RIDLT investigator E. Patrick Luther, witnessed Mr. Thomas C. Geving, 303 Third Avenue, Woonsocket, RI, performing piping work to a boiler without a license. Also, Mr. Carlos Cordova, 41 Ponagansett Avenue, Providence, performed pipeline welding without a license. Mr. Thomas Geving and Mr. Carlos Cordova are not properly licensed in RI to do this work. This is a violation of RIGL 28-27-28 "Practices for which a license is required".

Mr. E. Patrick Luther was not available for our meeting today. Mr. Carlos Cordova was not at the meeting.

Mr. Geving reported that he had done welding (repaired pipeline) for many years and was not aware that he needed a license to perform this type of work. He passed out pipefitting certificates. The Board informed him that he needed a RI license to perform this type of work.

Mr. Michael Carreiro made a motion that a Finding of Fact did occur and that based on the testimony heard today that a recommendation be made to the Director to suspend the violation for one year, and Stanley Davis seconded the motion. Michael Carreiro made a motion to suspend in the fine of \$1,000 for one year, and Kenneth Aurrecchia seconded the motion. All other board members were in favor.

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4. Mr. Anthony Andreozzi – Violation #3027

The final hearing for today is Anthony Andreozzi who was sworn in by the board stenographer.

Ted Whittaker read the violation: Location of violation: A. Andreozzi Service, 9 Progress Street, North Providence, RI 02911: On January 19, 2007, it was brought to this department's attention that Mr. Anthony Andreozzi is advertising that he is the owner of a company called A. Andreozzi Service, doing commercial and industrial heating work. A check of our records indicates that Anthony Andreozzi has an oil burner service license (pjf/oil). This license does not allow Mr. Anthony Andreozzi to operate a commercial and industrial heating business. This is a violation of RIGL 28-27-5 "Practices for which a

master of contractor license is required."

Kenneth Aurrecchia made a motion that a Finding of Fact did occur and John Webster made a motion that we suspend the violation for one (1) year and that we suspend the fine of \$500.00 for one year, and Chester Stewart seconded the motion. A letter of recommendation will be sent from the Director.

Other Business:

Charlie Wright passed out a letter to all Board members concerning Albert S. Gizzarelli, Jr., who is a master plumber and has his apprentice pipe fitter license. His request was to come before the Board to ask permission to take the licensing test for Pipe fitter. He currently works for his father at Albert S. Gizzarelli Plumbing & Heating, Inc. Mr. Albert Gizzarelli, Jr. stated that he has not gone to school to get the proper educational hours because he does not have the time. All of the Board members determined based on his testimony, that he be required to do two years of schooling, and until that time, we will not allow him to sit for the exam.

There was no further business.

Mr. Quinlin Regan made a motion to adjourn at 10:10 a.m. and John Webster seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor.

The next meeting of the Board of Mechanical Engineers is Wednesday, April 4, 2007 at 9:00 am in Building #70 of the Department of Labor & Training, second floor conference room, 1511 Pontiac Avenue, Cranston, RI 02920.

Review of applications was brought before the Board after the meeting.

Respectively submitted by Elaine J. Heiss, March 7, 2007